

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Donna Hooper, on her selection as a Metro Nashville Teacher of the Year.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those exemplary teachers who have given unreservedly of themselves to develop this state's most precious natural resource: our children; and

WHEREAS, Mary Donna Reed Hooper is one such remarkable person, a voice of excellence in education; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Hooper has recently been selected Metro Teacher of the Year in Nashville/Davidson County, an honor most befitting her meritorious service to education and her devotion to the children she teaches; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Hooper received her bachelor of science in Elementary Education from Memphis State University, her master's degree in education from Middle Tennessee State University, and Plus 30 Endorsement and Certification in Administration and Supervision from Tennessee State University; and

WHEREAS, she has served her students with enthusiasm, industry and singular acumen as a sixth grade science and social studies teacher at Tulip Grove Elementary School, where she also serves as the Science Link representative to Metro Middle Schools; and

WHEREAS, an extremely patient and giving person, Ms. Hooper motivates her students to reach their full potential using her fresh and effective style of teaching, perhaps the greatest of all teaching gifts; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Hooper has become a leader in hands-on instruction, leading workshops for other teachers throughout our great state; also to her credit is the development of Camp Discovery, a hands-on math, science and computer camp for children; and

WHEREAS, Donna Hooper is a never-ending source of inspiration to those who know and cherish her and is tremendously admired by students and colleagues alike and has had numerous high honors conferred upon her, including Teacher of the Year from Tulip Grove Elementary; and

WHEREAS, the perfect example of a person totally committed to quality education, Ms. Hooper holds professional affiliations with the National Science Teachers Association; the Council for Elementary Science International, the Tennessee Science Teachers Association, the Association for Supervision and Curriculum and Development, the National Education Association, the Tennessee Education Association, and the Metro-Nashville Education Association; and

WHEREAS, since 1973, Ms. Hooper has given unreservedly of herself to the Metro-Nashville school system to ensure quality education for our children, our future leaders of tomorrow; for her exemplary efforts she is most deserving of the commendation of this General Assembly; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby honor and congratulate Donna Hooper upon being selected as a Metro-Nashville Teacher of the Year for 1995.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final resolving clause omitted from such copy.